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1878

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST

OF THE

# AMERICAN MACHINE CO.

## OF PHILADELPHIA,

MANUFACTURERS OF

# HARDWARE SPECIALTIES.

NO. 1.—1878.

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*Wood Cut Engravers.* . . . . . CROSSCUP & WEST, 702 Chestnut St.

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# AMERICAN MACHINE COMPANY,

## Manufacturers

OF

## HARDWARE SPECIALTIES.

INCORPORATED 1873.

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OFFICE AND FACTORY,

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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# Circular to the Trade.

We take pleasure in presenting to the Trade this—our first—Catalogue, in which are enumerated all the specialties we are now manufacturing. Among these will be noted a number that have not heretofore been in the market, but which we believe will meet a public want and have sufficient intrinsic merit to commend them to the favorable notice of the Trade.

Special attention is directed to the

## MRS. POTTS' "CROWN" SAD-IRONS,

A full line of which, of the best quality and finish, we are now prepared to furnish.

Our Fluting Machines embrace the largest variety manufactured by any concern in the world, and are now universally recognized as the leading Machines of that class in the market.

By maintaining the high standard of quality and finish for which our goods are celebrated, we hope to continue to meet the approbation and receive the patronage of the Trade.

Respectfully Yours,

AMERICAN MACHINE COMPANY,

H. ALBRECHT, Manager.

# The Crown Fluting Machine.

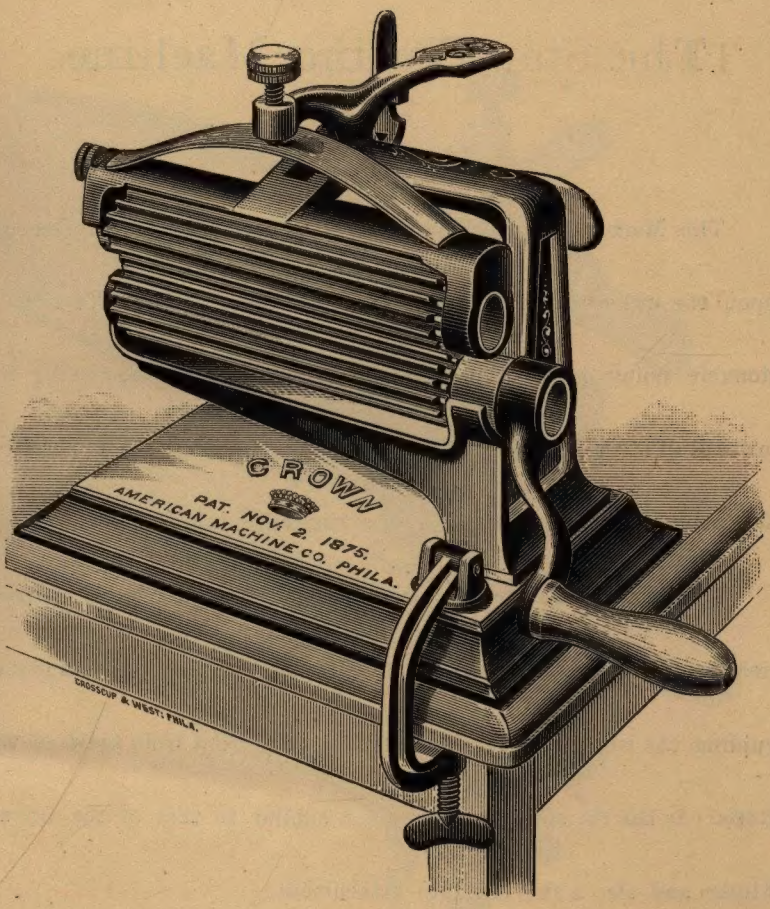
This machine, although introduced but a comparatively short time, is rapidly superseding all others. It has all the valuable features of the best machines in the market, and in addition possesses advantages of importance not to be found in the other makes.

The spring is so placed that it will not be strained by the separation of the Rolls—the lower Roll projects free over the base plate, giving opportunity to do work which a post under the end of the Roll would interfere with.

The Machines are finished in a superior manner with swivel Clamp attachment to fasten them either to the side or end of a table. Each Machine is put in a separate box with four heaters and a pair of tongs. The Rolls can be had with either No. 10, 12, 15, 18, 22, 26, or 30 flutes.

(See diagram page 9.)

# The Crown Fluting Machine.




| Sizes (length of Rolls), | $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. | 6 in. | 8 in. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Price, | $4 00 | $4 75 | $7 25 |
| Extra Rolls | 2 00 | 2 50 | 3 25 |

Crated in packages of four.

# The Star Fluting Machine.

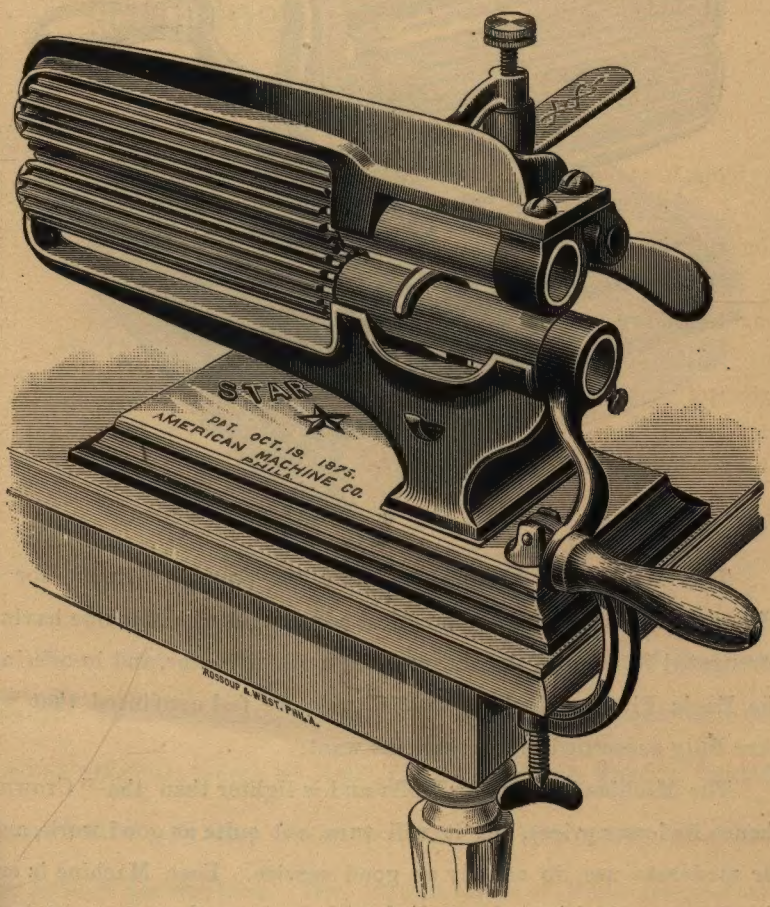
This Machine embraces the latest and most novel improvements upon the old style of Machines with overhanging Rolls. The objectionable points in the latter have been avoided by supporting the lower Roll at the outer end by a bracket, and placing the upper Roll in bearings at both ends to prevent springing.

The Machine has become very popular, as there is no obstruction, whatever, behind the Rolls, thus giving the best opportunity of guiding the work, and watching it as it comes out from between the Rolls. It has the spring arrangement similar to that of the Crown Fluter and also a swivel clamp attachment.

Each Machine is put in a separate box with four heaters and a pair of tongs.

The Rolls can be had with either No. 10, 12, 15, 18, 22, 26 or 30 flutes. (See diagram page 9.)

# The Star Fluting Machine.

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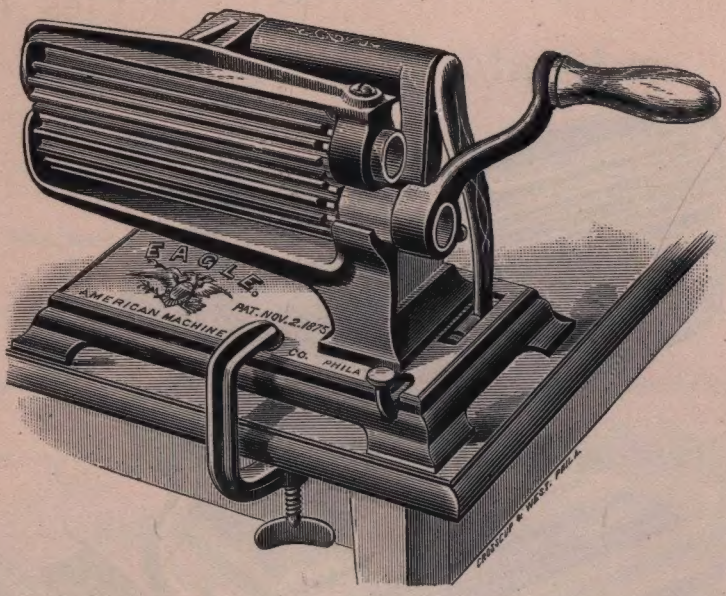
| Sizes (length of Rolls), - - - - | 4½ in. and 6 in. |
| Price, - - - - - - | $5 00 $6 00 |

# The Eagle Fluting Machine.




This Machine is designed to meet the popular demand for a Fluter that combines all the practical advantages of a Machine having corrugated Rolls, with the cheapness of a Hand Fluter, and in offering the Eagle Fluting Machine to the trade we feel convinced that we have fully succeeded in meeting this want.

The Machine has smaller Rolls and is lighter than the "Crown" (hence its lower price), but it will turn out quite as good work, and for moderate use do equally as good service. Each Machine is enclosed in a paper box and supplied with a clamp, four wrought iron heaters and a holder. Furnished with either No. 15 or No. 18 Rolls.

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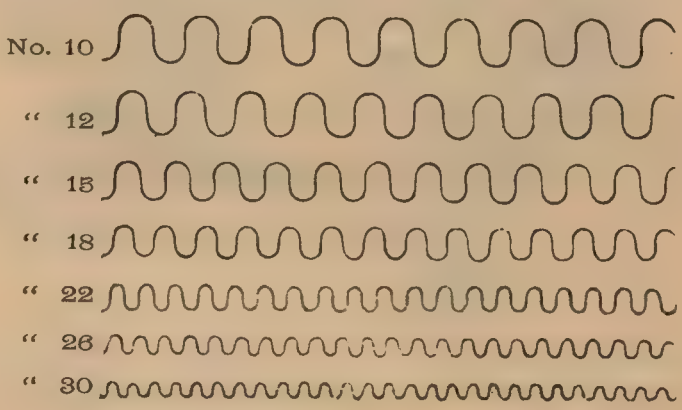
| Sizes (length of Rolls), | 3½ in. and 5½ in. |
| Price, | $2 50 $3 30 |

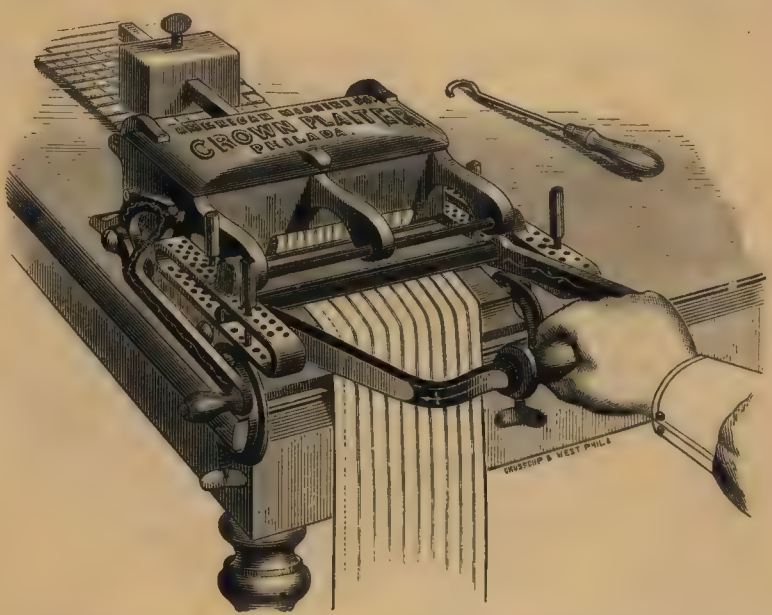
Packed one-half dozen in a case.

# Diagram Showing the Styles of Fluting done by the different Rolls.




These styles are uniform in all the Fluting Machines of our manufacture. To avoid mistakes, parties in ordering will please state the kind of Machine, length of Rolls, and No. of style Fluting wanted. Extra Rolls for all sizes of the various machines can be had at half the price of the machine. The different styles of Rolls are made interchangeable, so that no difficulty will be experienced in using several styles in each machine if desired.

# The Crown Plaiting Machine.




The "Crown" Plaiter is offered to the public as the result of long and expensive experiments, the aim of the Manufacturers being to produce a Machine that would combine simplicity and cheapness with capacity for doing all the different varieties of Plaiting, rapidly and neatly.

The Machine has been tried with entire success on all kinds of material used in dressmaking, &c.; it works equally well whether the ruffle is hemmed at one edge, or both edges, or not at all, and works over-seams with the greatest ease; it is adapted to make plaits from $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch in width to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch, with all the regular and irregular intermediate sizes, any change requiring but a moment's time to make. As the plaits are made they are neatly pressed down by a heated iron in the same operation. With all these advantages the machine is so simple that a mere explanation of the parts will enable any person of ordinary intelligence to work it, of course the more a person works with it the more perfect and rapidly the work will be turned out.

Each Machine is packed in a box furnished with a double set of Heating Irons and a Lifter for handling the latter.

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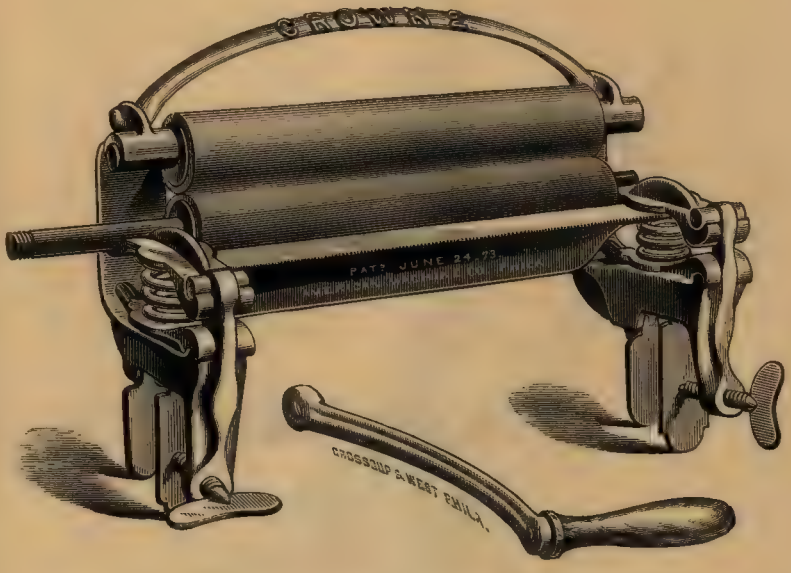
| Sizes, - - - - - | 6 inches and 10 inches. |
| Price, - - - - - | $6 00 $10 00 each. |

# The Crown Wringer.




We offer the Crown Wringer to the Trade as the best Iron Frame Wringer in the market. Being made of Galvanized malleable iron, all danger of breaking, warping or rusting is entirely removed. The capacity is such, that it adjusts itself readily to the finest material, or will admit the heaviest articles, and is also constructed as to automatically release the springs and rolls from pressure when not in use.

The rolls are made of solid white rubber, and are guaranteed equal to the best in use.

It is a very substantial, durable and efficient Machine.

## FAMILY SIZES.

| | | PRICES. |
|---|---|---|
| No. 2. Rolls 10 in. long, $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. diameter, | - - - | $7 00 |
| No. $2\frac{1}{2}$. " 12 " " $1\frac{3}{4}$ " " | - - - | 8 00 |
| No. 3. " 12 " " $1\frac{7}{8}$ " " | - - - | 9 00 |

## LAUNDRY SIZE.

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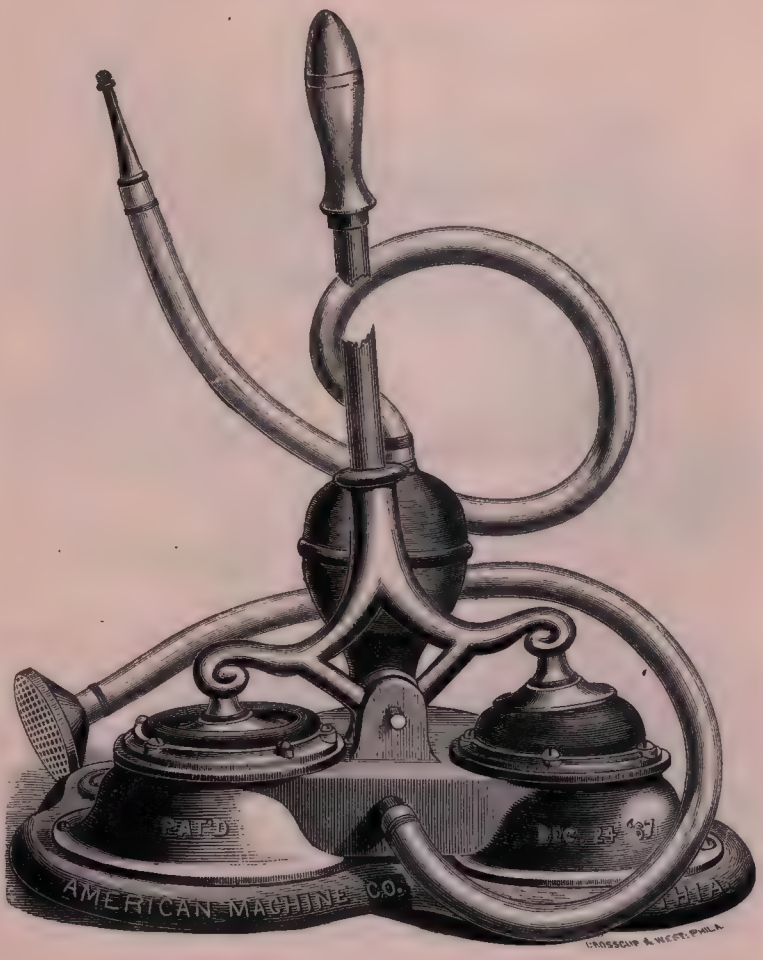
| No. 4. Rolls 12 in. long, $2\frac{1}{8}$ in. diameter, - - - | $12 00 |

Packed one-half dozen in a case.

# The Bickford Pump.




This pump is designed for sprinkling lawns, washing windows and carriages, extinguishing fires &c., &c., &c.

It is double acting and will throw a continuous stream from 40 to 50 feet. All the metal parts are galvanized, and the construction is exceedingly simple and durable. It is so easily operated that a child can work it without tiring.

Price, - - - - - - - - $7.00 each.

Packed one in a box.

MRS. POTTS'

# "CROWN"

SAD-IRONS.

Having purchased the interest in **Mrs. Potts' Patent Cold Handle Sad-Irons,** heretofore controlled by the Chalfant Manufacturing Company, we are now prepared to supply the trade with these celebrated Irons of the **finest finish** and **quality,** and at the **lowest price.**

These Irons will hereafter be known as the

## MRS. POTTS' "CROWN" IRONS,

so as to identify them with the other specialties of our manufacture made under this Trade Mark.

They are made by machinery especially designed and constructed for their manufacture, thus securing positive uniformity in shape, size and finish. Each Iron is so ground as to present a slightly convex surface to the fabric, an advantage of the highest importance. A chamber under the cap plate is **filled with a non-conducting fire cement,** which causes this iron to heat more quickly and to retain heat longer than any other Sad-Iron. The handle is made of black walnut, highly finished, never becomes heated, requires no holder or cloth, and, being circular, allows the hand to adapt itself to the work without straining the wrist or arm. It is also made detachable by a simple latch (and spring) and interchangeable so as to fit any and every Iron.

The high standard we have maintained in the manufacture of the "Crown" Fluter, &c., will be a guarantee that the quality of our Irons will fully come up to the above representations in every respect.

With many thanks for past favors, we respectfully solicit your orders.

Yours truly,

AMERICAN MACHINE COMPANY.

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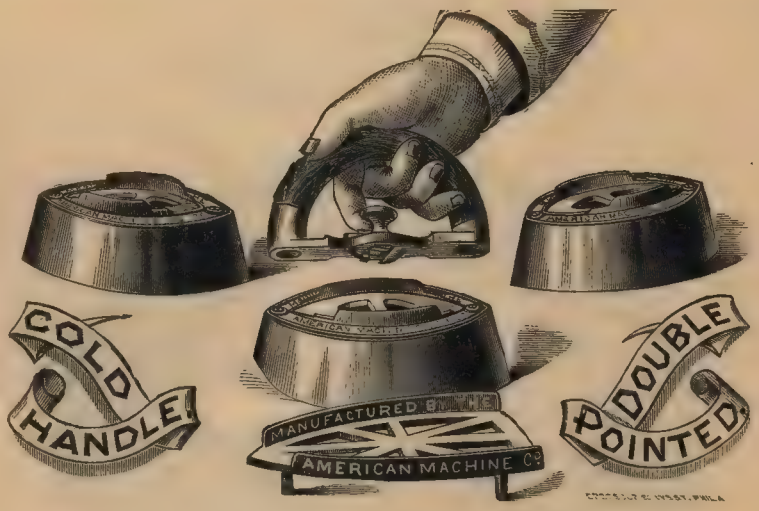
# Mrs. Potts' Patent "Crown" Smoothing and Polishing Irons.




Three Irons, one Handle and Stand constitute a set as represented by above cut. There are three sizes in each set. No. 1 weighs about four pounds, has one round end for polishing or glossing, and is very suitable for light work; No. 2 weighs about five pounds, and is for general use; No. 3 weighs about six pounds, and is suitable for table-cloths, sheets, &c.

## PRICES.

| | |
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| No. 150. Nickel-plated, per dozen sets, - - - | $30 00 |
| No. 155. Plain Polished, " " - - - | 24 00 |

Packed half dozen sets in a case.

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| No. 150. Nickel-plated, Nos. 1, 2 or 3, per doz. Irons, with handles, | $12 00 |
| No. 150. " " " " " without " | 9 00 |
| No. 155. Plain Polished, " " " with " | 10 00 |
| No. 155. " " " " " without " | 7 00 |
| Extra Handles, per dozen, - - - - - | 4 00 |
| Improved Sad-Iron Stands, per dozen, - - - | 1 00 |

Packed as desired.

**All of our Irons are filled with Non-conducting Fire Cement.**

# Mrs. Potts' Patent "Crown" Cold Handle Smoothing and Polishing Irons.

CHINESE POLISHER.

The above Iron has all round edges, and is adapted for laundry and general polishing purposes. It weighs four pounds, and is the handsomest and best Polishing Iron ever offered for sale.

## PRICES.

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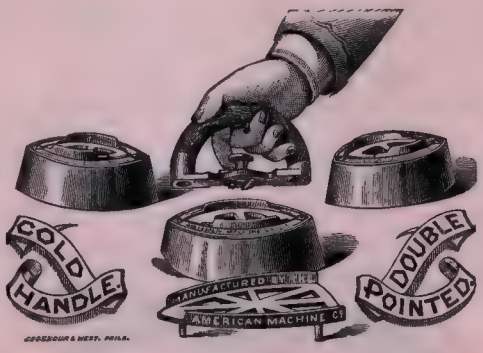
| No. 180. | Nickel-plated, | weighs about | 4½ lbs. | Price per doz., | $15 00 |
| No. 185. | Plain Polished, | " " | 4½ " | " " | 13 00 |
| No. 182. | Nickel-plated, | " " | 3 " | " " | 11 00 |
| No. 187. | Plain Polished, | " " | 3 " | " " | 9 00 |

Packed one or two dozen in a case.

**All our Irons are filled with Non-conducting Fire Cement.**

# Girls' Polishing Irons.




These Irons weigh about two pounds each, have one end rounded, and for ironing or polishing small articles are very desirable.

They are also a very fine toy.

## PRICES.

No. 190. Nickel-plated, per dozen Irons, with handles, - $7 50
No. 195. Plain Polished, " " " " - 6 00

Packed two or three dozen in a case.

# Girls' Star Irons.

These Irons weigh about two pounds each, have one end rounded, and are very desirable for ironing or polishing small articles, silk hats, &c.

## PRICES.

No. 100. Nickel-plated, per dozen Irons, - - - $5 50
No. 105. Plain Polished, " " - - - 4 00

Packed two or three dozen in a case.

**All of our Irons are filled with Non-conducting Fire Cement.**

# Enterprise Double Pointed Smoothing and Polishing Irons.

## MRS. POTTS' PATENT.

### STAR IRON.

This is the same as our No. 155 Iron, but without the detachable wooden handle, a perforated iron handle being substituted instead.

Although this iron does not possess the many advantages of the detachable wooden handle, it is decidedly superior in every way to the ordinary solid irons, as it has all the other features of the No. 155.

Sizes same as the Crown Irons.

## PRICES.

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| No. 70. Nickel-plated, Nos. 1, 2 or 3, per dozen Irons, - | $8 00 |
| No. 75. Plain Polished, " " " " - | 6 00 |

Packed one or two dozen in a case.

**All our Irons are filled with Non-conducting Fire Cement.**

# Enterprise Double Pointed Smoothing and Polishing Irons.

## MRS. POTTS' PATENT.

### STAR POLISHER.

This Iron is the same as the Chinese Polisher, only the perforated iron handle is used.

## PRICES.

| | | | | | |
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| No. 72. | Nickel-plated, | weighs about 3 lbs., | - | Price per doz., | $8 00 |
| No. 77. | Plain Polished, | " " 3 " | - | " " | 6 00 |
| No. 74. | Nickel-plated, | " " 4½ " | - | " " | |
| No. 79. | Plain Polished, | " " 4½ " | - | " " | |

**All of our Irons are filled with Non-conducting Fire Cement.**

# The "New" Crown Christmas Tree Holder

Is offered to the public as a decided improvement upon any other style in the market.

The usefulness of this article is obvious to any one who has tried to arrange blocks, boxes, or other appliances for holding Christmas Trees.

This holder is so constructed that it will firmly clamp and hold any size tree under 3 inches diameter. The legs are placed in the sockets and fastened by the small thumb screws; the ring nut is turned downward, whereby the clamps are thrown outward. The tree is then set in the holder, and the ring nut turned upwards until the clamps have a sufficiently tight hold.

Price - - - - - - - - $1.25 each.

Packed one dozen in a case.

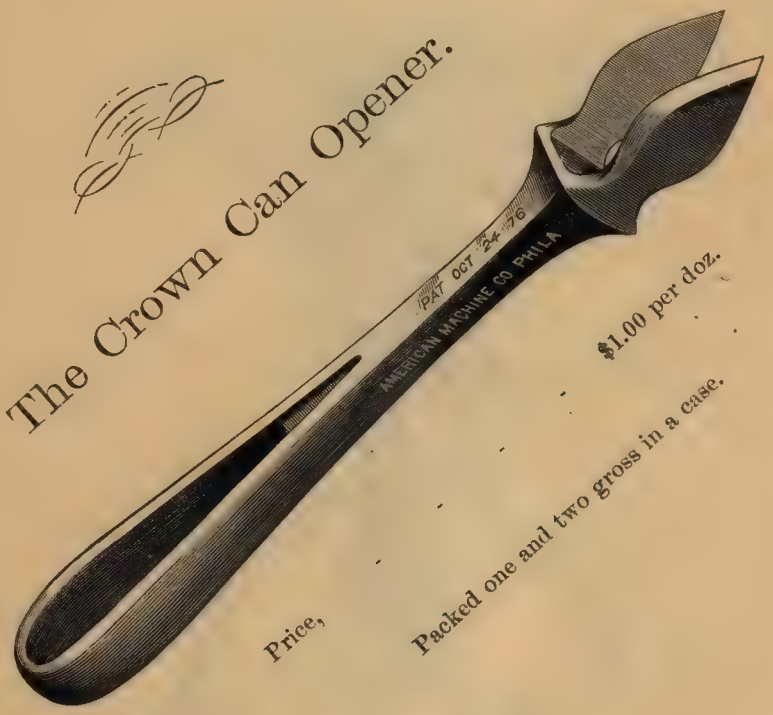
# The Crown Flower Pot Stand

Is something entirely new, but believed to meet a long felt want. The holder is the same as the Christmas Tree Holder, referred to on preceding page, having fastened in it a short stand with a round plate screwed to its top on which the Flower Pot rests. It can also be used for any other similar purpose, and being light, can be easily carried about.

Price of Holder with Stand and Top Plate, - - $1.50 each.

Packed one dozen Holders in a case and one dozen Stands with Plates in a case.

# The Crown Can Opener.

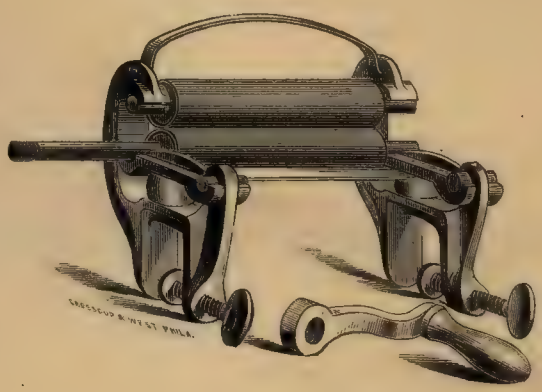



Price, $1.00 per doz.

Packed one and two gross in a case.

The Crown Can Opener is the best and cheapest tool of its kind in the market. It will open any sort of can with neatness and dispatch. It is both right and left handed, has two blades, one of which acts as a guide on the outside of the can while the other cuts. Has four cutting edges, and can easily be sharpened. Will last a long time.

# The Crown Toy Wringer



Is a novel, attractive and useful Toy.

It is made of galvanized iron, preventing it from rusting, fits all kinds of Toy Tubs, and has rubber rolls.

Can be put to practical use for wringing light pieces.

This Toy is designed to instruct as well as amuse children.

Price, - - - - - - - 50 cents each.

Packed one dozen and three dozen in a case.

(No. 235.)

# International Exhibition.

## PHILADELPHIA, 1876.

The United States Centennial Commission has examined the report of the Judges, and accepted the following reasons, and decreed an award in conformity therewith.

PHILADELPHIA, December 19th, 1876.

## REPORT ON AWARDS.

PRODUCT.

## WRINGING MACHINE; FLUTING MACHINE.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EXHIBITOR,

## AMERICAN MACHINE COMPANY,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The undersigned, having examined the product herein described, respectfully recommends the same to the United States Centennial Commission for Award, for the following reasons, viz.:

For the Wringer—SIMPLICITY OF CONSTRUCTION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF EXECUTION.

For the Fluting Machine—ADAPTABILITY TO PURPOSE INTENDED.

ADDISON BOYDEN,
*Signature of the Judge.*

APPROVAL OF GROUP JUDGES.

ROBERT MITCHELL,
THEODORE SNYERSFILS,
CHAUNCEY WILTSE.

A true copy of the Record.

FRANCIS A. WALKER,
*Chief of the Bureau of Awards.*

Given by Authority of the United States Centennial Commission.

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April 1, 1878.

# WHOLESALE PRICE LIST

AND

# DISCOUNT SHEET

OF

# Hardware Specialties

MANUFACTURED BY THE

## AMERICAN MACHINE CO,

**1916-1924 N. Fourth St., Philad'a.**

APPLICABLE TO OUR

## CATALOGUE and PRICE LIST

**NO. 1, 1878.**

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# Wholesale Price List

OF

# FLUTERS, WRINGERS, PLAITING MACHINES, PUMPS,

Etc., Etc., Etc.

**THIS LIST SUPERSEDES ALL PREVIOUS QUOTATIONS.**

| | NAME. | LIST PRICES. | | | DISCOUNT. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 4½ in. | 6 in. | 8 in. | |
| FLUTING MACHINES & EXTRAS. CROWN. | Each | 4.00 | 4.75 | 7.25 | 45% |
| | Extra Rolls, per set | 2.00 | 2.50 | 3.25 | |
| | " Springs, per doz | 1.20 | 1.56 | 2.40 | |
| | " Heaters " " sets of 4 | 1.92 | 2.40 | 2.88 | |
| | " Tongs, " " pairs | .... | 2.40 | ..... | |
| | | 3½ in. | 3½ in. | | |
| EAGLE. | Per Doz | 30.00 | 40.00 | .... | 45% |
| | Extra Rolls, per set | 1.10 | 1.65 | .... | |
| | " Heaters, per doz. sets of 4 | 1.20 | 1.92 | ..... | |
| | | 4½ in. | 6 In. | | |
| STAR. | Each | 3.75 | 4.50 | ..... | net. |
| | Extra Rolls, per set | 1.75 | 2.25 | ..... | |
| | " Heaters, per doz. sets of 4 | 1.20 | 1.44 | ..... | |
| | " Tongs, " " pairs | ..... | 1.44 | ..... | |
| | | | 6 in. | 10 in. | |
| **Crown Plaiting Machines**, each | | ..... | 6.00 | 10.00 | 25% |
| | | Per doz No. 2. | Per doz No. 2½ | Per doz No. 3. | |
| **Crown Wringers** | | 54.00 | 63.00 | 69.00 | net. |
| | | | | Per doz | |
| **Christmas Tree Holders** | | ..... | ..... | 15.00 | 40% |
| **Flower Pot Stands** | | ..... | ..... | 18.00 | 40% |
| **Crown Toy Wringers** | | ..... | ..... | 7.50 | 40% |
| | | | | Per gr. | |
| **Crown Can Openers** | | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | 40% |
| **Bickford Portable Pumps**, each | | ..... | ..... | 7.00 | 20 & 10% |

# MRS. POTTS'
# *CROWN SAD-IRONS.*

| NAME AND STYLE OF FINISH. | WHOLESALE PRICES. |
|---|---|
| **Mrs. Potts' Patent.** | Per Doz. Sets. |
| No. 150, Nickel-plated, | 30 00 |
| 155, Plain Polished, | 24 00 |
| | Per Doz. Irons. |
| 150, Nickel-plated, sizes 1, 2 or 3, with handles, | 12 00 |
| 150, " " " 1, 2 or 3, without handles, | 9 00 |
| 155, Plain Polished, " 1, 2 or 3 with handles, | 10 00 |
| 155, " " " 1, 2 or 3, without handles, | 7 00 |
| 180, Nickel-plated Chinese Polisher, with " | 15 00 |
| 185, Plain Polished " " " " | 13 00 |
| 182, Nickel-plated " " " " small size. | 11 00 |
| 187, Plain Polished " " " " " " | 9 00 |
| 190, Nickel-plated Girl's Pol. Irons, " " | 7 50 |
| 195, Plain Polished " " " " " | 6 00 |
| Iron Stands, per doz., | 1 00 |
| Extra Handles, per doz., | 4 00 |
| **Enterprise Irons.** | Per Doz. Irons. |
| No. 70, Nickel-plated, Star, sizes 1, 2 or 3, | 8 00 |
| 75, Plain Polished " " 1, 2 or 3, | 6 00 |
| 72, Nickel-plated " Polisher, | 8 00 |
| 77, Plain Polished " " | 6 00 |
| 100, Nickel-plated Girl's Star Polishing Irons, | 5 50 |
| 105, Plain Polished " " " " | 4 00 |

***DISCOUNT—33⅓% on all of the above Irons.***

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